LLOYD GEORGE OUT TO FINISH THE WAR

Lord Northcliffe Says the British Empire Called New Premier.

NEEDED HIS COURAGE

Jaded Politicians Unfit to Carry Out the Only Possible Victorious Policy.

By LORD NORTHCLIFFE.

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David Lloyd George is for many reasons interesting and important to the United States. He is one of the few British elatesmen understanding the difficulty political opponents didn't seem able to make a Government. Now they think his won't last. I hold a different opincan temperament,

He is important to America for another reason. He is now the head of the five British nations engaged in war-Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, together with India. Winning the war now primarily devolves on these nations.

many's plans in South America and Germany's hatred of the United States should be known to every American who reads the anti-American propaganda of the German Government.

Lloyd George is also interesting to our 100,000,000 because his life has een similar to that of many of you, He began simply, without other assets of life than a good father and mother. He had the same kind of education that an American boy gets.

Knows Little of Lloyd George. I don't know Lloyd George in private life; I am not in agreement with him on many political affairs. We have been publicly antagonistic on many matters during twenty years. He adopted a line in the Boer war that was not mine, incurred the hatred, even contempt of millions of his fellow subjects. It was a brave line, for it demanded more courses, the contempt of the millions of the age to be on the side of the minority opposing the war than to shout with the

majority supporting it, The British people's fear of helping German propaganda in the United States prevented English writers from saying how dissatisfied the British

saying how dissatisfied the British people have been with the politicians who have managed our share in the war since 1914.

Lloyd George was the only member of the Government with the courage to exhibit discontent over our feeble and vacillating conduct of the war. Occasionally in Parliament and on the platform he attempted to tell the people a little of the truth, but on these occasions he was always howled down by members of his party and their newspapers, as unpatriotic and as giving comfort to the enemy. The rest did their best to hide the truth.

The hide the truth tactics in the

The hide the truth tactics in the House of Commons of smaller politicians were shown at the time they were endeavoring to cover up their blunders and Sir Edward Carson left the Government last year.

If Lloyd George had resigned with him then the war would have been greatly advanced. He was prevailed throughout the recent crisis, but says there may be some doubts as to whether his delicate methods in handling the affairs of the Foreign Office will be able to counter the brutal and robust methods of last week he found the state of torpidity and self-satisfaction of his colleagues—in the face of repeated set-backs—impossible to a man of his vision and patriotism. Of these colleagues, writing as I am an article which will appear in American and Canadian newsappear in American and Canadian newspapers, I prefer only to say that they
were men who wouldn't believe the war
was coming when it did and who hadn't
sympathy with the spirit of the old Gov-

position almost as powerful as that of your President. But his desire was that this distinction should be conterred on another. Indeed for some hours it looked as though it would be the Scotsman Bonar Law rather than the Welshman Lloyd George.

He went out into the wilderness alone, so far as his own party was concerned. He had as a supporter Bonar Law, who had previously opposed him on practically every phase of politics, and an outside helper in Carson, whose Irish policy was diametrically opposite.

Those three, with Lord Derby, have produced a miracle whereof all the world is talking. In a few days they have formed a Government—marred, it is true, by inclusion of some notable former failures—but enriched by the braims of business men and new politicians.

The Government Lloyd George has formed will last, but it needs pruning. It contains too many of what are known in the United States as "has beens." It is cumbered with too many fossils representative of a past age. None knows exactly how they got there, but I think I know the reason. This quick, determined, energetic Weishman is a little too kind hearted.

Nevertheless he has formed a Government which will cause rejoicing through-

ment which will cause rejoicing through-out the empire, especially among the soldiers facing their third winter in the

Government that wins the war, brings settlement of the Irish question and maintains the essential factor—good will between the people of the English speaking nations of the British Empire and the people of the United States.

if they and the Allies are beaten LLOYD GEORGE HAS NINE WAR PLANS

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and agriculture, drastic reforms in the drink problem and the temporary settle-ment of the chaos in Ireland, are dis-cussed as the major tasks confronting the new administration in the home field. The Economist argues that the late Ooverment at times was healtant and failed to use the great opportunity which the nation's magnificent spirit put

which the nation's magnificent spirit put into its hands.

"Under its rule," says the Economist.

"the country astonished the world by its achievements in war, in industry and in finance, but the country was always ahead of the Government and felt that it could have done more with a more apprentic leadership.

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"There is some danger, however, that the new leaders will give us violence instead of years and reckleasness instead of courage."

The newspaper proceeds to criticisc Mr. Lloyd George's finance record as

Mr. Lloyd George's finance record as good and bad. It says he did very well at the beginning of the war, when he faced an unparalleled situation with boldness and dexterity, but that he did ill in the spring of 1915, when he failed to impose a pennyworth of taxation to enforce a reduction in consumption,

which was the country's most serious need. "The United States Federal Reserve "The United States Federal Reserve Board's action against banks of the reserve investing in loans by the warring Powers makes it more than ever necessary that we should rely on our own productive power," says the Economist. The appointment of A. J. Balfour and Lord Robert Cecil to the Foreign Office is welcomed in the London press, except by Lord Northellies's newspapers. Even

was coming when it did and who hadn't an idea of its tremendous portent for our race.

In my own newspapers at home I have spoken much more plainly—so plainly, indeed, that I find myself occasionally the hest abused man in the country.

When last week Lloyd George decided to smash the party machine wherein he was entangled he took his courage in both hands I do not believe he had any personal ambitions in the matter at all.

Events made him Prime Minister—a Entente Allies a heavy price.

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